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## Vermont's Needs And Opportunities

## Excerpts From Address Of T. N. Vail Before Vermont State Grange—The Opportunities Of Improved Agriculture, Of Cooperation, Of Good Roads And Of Practical Education.

We publish excerpts from the able and thoughtful address delivered by T. N. Vail before the Vermont State Grange at its last annual meeting in Burlington. In this issue we are obliged to confine ourselves to what he said that directly affects the state of Vermont, but hope in other issues to give his ideas on other large subjects that concern the country as a whole as well as Vermont. Mr. Vail said:—

"There are many things which are disturbing and unsettling our social and economic conditions, not only those of Vermont, but of the whole country. These conditions are governed by inexorable laws which statute laws cannot change. Experience shows us what they are. It is my intention to-night to try to indicate some of these troubles and if possible some method of improvement.

"To act intelligently a proper understanding and knowledge of what is to be acted upon is necessary.

"To get the best results in a community co-operation or team work is necessary. Not each man striving for himself regardless of others, but all working together for the benefit of all. Team work or co-operation will produce greater aggregate results for the community and greater individuals in the broad sense.

"Vermont is a state in which the individual is a narrow sense, but the advantage to the community is secondary and there is a smaller distribution of the benefits.

"All must realize that in life some give-and-take, some concessions to each other, are necessary.

"Man has his rights, but no man has license to disregard the rights of others in obtaining his own. When each of us finds our proper place in, and fulfills all obligations to, the social organization and to the community, honestly, and to the extent of one's ability, each will have his full share of life and prosperity.

## Vermont—Possibilities.

"Vermont is a state in which production is largely from the soil—agriculture, mines, quarries and forests. Relatively her industrial development is small though in lines of special industry and through the development of her water powers, it may become more important. New England as a whole is an industrial section of the country. Agricultural sections produce a surplus of foodstuffs in excess of local home consumption. Industrial sections consume the surplus. Vermont has a great market at her very threshold.

"We have passed through an agricultural depression, caused by the cheap production of the West, and cheap transportation from the West. While it continued, the new generations of Vermont were obliged to seek elsewhere for occupation. They flocked to the new West, and to the industrial and commercial centers of the East. Those who chose to remain in Vermont to enjoy quietly such life as could be had here, with the effort they chose to exert, rather than take part in the struggles of the world, are now giving place to a new generation of the same blood and the same average capacity as those who went abroad and become prominent factors in the upbuilding and development of the wealth and industries of our country.

"It is no longer necessary for the new generations of Vermont to seek their fortunes in other states. With fewer opportunities abroad, and those wanted by the new generations there; with greater opportunities at home, the new generation of Vermont can stay at home and if they, who stay, use the same energy that made Vermonters so forceful abroad, we will soon see a new Vermont.

"Farming is now a business, it is necessary to be conducted on the same principles as business. It is a business particularly adapted to those who must work or share in work, for those whose capital is in their ability to work. It can be made to pay as well per unit of effort or capital as any other business. It will always be a business limited in size, and can never be made to expand, as can some other industrial enterprises. It is a business which cannot be done by automatic machines, with automatic labor. Machinery, while it is a large factor in farming, must be operated and managed by all round intelligence. There is such variety in farm work, even of the machine, that it cannot be organized as factory work can be organized. There must be a guiding oversight and direction. Farming is not the 'nose to the grindstone' work that popular voice likes to call it. It is not, as much so, as other kinds of work. The successful farmer will have seasons of abundant leisure, but be closely on his job at other seasons. Farming responds quickly and generously to efficient work and method, but the opportunities for waste through inefficiency or neglect are large in comparison with the opportunities for profit. It is the personal attention that counts in farming. There is no kind of business at which a man can make some kind of a living with less work, or make more with his own work.

"There is no business so open to your young men without any capital, except that capital of labor, strength, vigor, willingness to work, and intelligence to direct and conserve, as is farming in Vermont.

"The business of farming takes but little more work, thrift and care and planning, to produce a profitable surplus than it does to make a scant living. It takes but little more labor per acre to care for a good crop than a poor one. Raise your with grass and your corn in separate fields, you will get a more profitable crop of each.

"Care for your dairy. Don't keep a cow that does not yield a profit. It's better to feed and milk one good one than two poor ones. Send the poor ones to the butcher. Make every animal and every acre produce a maximum result. It is not hard work that counts, it is efficient work.

"You need not buy Oregon apples if you will treat your apple trees as you do well bred colts or calves and poultry. Keep the insects off of them. Give them good beds of earth to grow in and plenty of feed to mature them and pick and pack your fruit as carefully as you do your eggs. It is far more delicate. When you do this you can sell your apples on the Pacific slope instead of buying apples from Oregon.

"Every man's wealth is in his ability to labor. If you want to prosper and have plenty, turn your labor into wealth by increasing the value of your property. Each of you must have a piece of ground that would make a nice field if the boulders were taken off or buried. If the huddles were played down, and it was drained. The produce in one year will pay for your work and ties and dynamite, and your farm will be more valuable to keep, or to sell. If you look around you will find many ways of turning your labor into wealth.

"Whether you do much or little work do it thoroughly so far as you do it at all. More time is wasted in doing a poor job, and it is not so profitable. Don't undertake to do so much that you cannot do it when it should be done. If you want to enjoy your leisure time and not be worried about something neglected, drive your work around so that it will be done. There are few men who cannot, and do not, do a good job so long as their necessity is greater than their inclination to take it easy, but how many stop doing, when they get enough to satisfy their immediate necessities. If this satisfies them all right, but they have no right to complain and be dissatisfied where they see the fellow, who doesn't stop doing, get more than they have, nor have they any right to think that the man who works while he is taking it easy should divide with him.

## Co-operation.

"By intelligent, practical co-operation much can be done to bring about and secure better markets for our production.

"The same conditions which have created our social and economic organization, have also created large systems, or organizations, of industrial enterprise engaged in transportation, intercommunication, public service, manufacture and all sorts of construction operative, and a large organization of middlemen engaged in trade and commerce, in wholesale and retail, collection and distribution of products, engaged in getting the goods of the producer into the hands of the consumer.

"This great organization is necessary to both the producer and consumer and is supported by the margin between the price received by the producer and the price paid by the consumer.

"Transportation, distribution, merchandising, are absolute necessities in the modern world. The producers and consumers are too far separated from each other, are too scattered over large areas to deal directly with each other and each producer or manufacturer supplies only a very small part of each consumer's want.

"No farmer could agree to furnish a number of families with so many quarts of milk, so many fresh eggs, etc., each day or week in the year, much less be ready to furnish an enormous amount on short notice. It requires the co-operation of the middleman, the merchant and trader. It is an organization for prosperity that in the large will never be done away with.

"There is, however, a large field in which co-operation in buying and selling will benefit the whole community. Where many producers of the same kind are engaged in one class of work or production, as milk, fruit, vegetables, berries, they can co-operate as between themselves and the distributors, they can systematize and regulate the packing and inspection. They can get nearer to the ultimate consumer by eliminating all except the absolutely necessary middleman. By the enforcement of the proper rules they can make it impossible for some producers to spoil the reputation of the products of the section by improper methods and the selling of inferior products under superior brands. Where there is a large consumption of commodities, like feed or fertilizer, and the amount of that consumption is known in advance, they can co-operate and buy at the wholesale price. Many other ways common-sense thought will point out to you. This co-operation should not be opposed by the local merchants. Anything that tends to the greater prosperity of the local producer increases the business of the local merchant.

"Through the Grange an effective co-operation could be arranged. Where necessary there could be auxiliary organizations like fruit growers, berry growers, potato growers' association, as desired after the mind is developed. Nearly all who graduate from the secondary schools have to hew their way through life. Why not prepare them for work in life as is done for work in college? Under the present conditions, the practical training they have to obtain after they leave school. That is why so many of older men, who could do things at 16, poke fun at school education when they see a boy, big, stalwart, who can play football and baseball but do little else. He can play football and baseball and can't do other work, because he works at football and baseball.

"To bring these changes about, the commission on education advised that during the last few years of the school period, some practical education be given in the use of the hands, tools, and brains working together. Teach them how to do things, so that when their school term is over they may be handy in the house on the farm or in the shop. A man who is handy and can do things, if he has to work for wages, can get better wages and get work when others cannot. If he is

on a farm he can do things himself and not have to hire others. In other words, he is self-dependent, and a man or woman who is self-dependent is the most independent man or woman in the world.

"Of late this kind of education has run to fads of all kinds, and is liable to be made useless. It should be kept as near the actual doing of actual things of home and of home surroundings, and on lines of actual work in future.

"If you insist that your permanent board of education be hard-headed practical men (and are left in office long enough to know what is to be done) and your superintendent of education is of the same kind, and keep your school system out of politics, you will in time get something good.

"We have laid too much stress on this matter of higher education. All the education possible is necessary and a good thing to have, but a higher education means years of study and close application, the devotion of a life. To the large majority who must get down to practical working life, higher education is impossible and of no advantage, for they cannot make use of it.

"What the average man needs is a general and broad understanding and a good thorough knowledge of the elementary fundamental studies, they can acquire all that is needed by reading and such study as they may have time and desire to give, and they will get all the enjoyment that it is possible for them to get out of intellectual activity.

"This recommendation was opposed on the idea that it was depriving the boy of his chance in life. From no standpoint is this so, it was giving him his chance.

"The youth who is getting practical experience, the actual work of life, at the same time he is going to school, is getting no advantage. It does not give him education from books, and it does enable him to take hold of the practical side of life the moment he leaves school. It enables him to learn while going through college that for which he would have to serve as an apprentice after he graduated.

"This is too big a question to consider here in its entirety. Preparedness means being ready for anything at any time. That means armament, army and navy kept at full quota all the time.

"The discussion, however, has a direct connection, in my mind, to the education of youth. We all know that a little discipline, a little training is good for the youth.

"Discipline inculcates self-control, subordination to their own inclinations and weaknesses or evil desires, something that every man must get in some way some time. It is not subservience to submit to discipline. Far from it. Physical training makes a better physical man, being systematic it develops all the muscles, it teaches the boy to stand erect, walk and carry himself properly. It makes a finer man of him, as discipline makes a better man of him. These things should be taught to the youth in school; only a few hours a week and you will have a better lot of men for peace and in time of trouble—trained men to draw from. Training of men takes time and to send untrained men into the field of battle is pure slaughter."

**GREENSBORO**  
Large Attendance At Community Christmas Tree—Slight Fire Sunday Evening.

(George A. Porter, Correspondent.)  
Between four and five hundred people assembled at Town hall Friday evening to enjoy the community Christmas tree and exercises. The children from the different schools and the themselves, Rev. Mr. Hayes read scripture and Rev. Mr. Collins offered prayer and the recitations and songs by the children were interspersed with instrumental music, a song by Mrs. Wakefield, a duet by Mrs. Payson Morse and Miss Bessie Silver, and other singing by the chorists from the churches. The hall was tastefully decorated and a large tree on each side of the stage was well filled with presents for the occasion.

Sunday evening the fire alarm sounded and the fire proved to be in the Babbitt house in a partition, catching from the stove pipe burning out. It was soon extinguished with the hose. The house is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. Dubrune and Lewis Kessleman.

Our townsman, John King, has purchased the Kilgarran wood-working shop at Hardwick and went there the first of the week to take charge. John is a fine workman and we wish him success in this new venture. His family will remain in Greensboro for the present.

Pliny Rodgers of Danville was a visitor in town the last of the week.

Mrs. William Rollins and two daughters who have been in Arizona the past four months returned home Thursday evening. Mrs. Rollins and her daughters to visit her parents and he been down into Mexico on some of the recent battleships in that stricken country and has some vivid recollections of the desolation and destruction wrought there by the war.

Herman Piper the 16-year-old son of Bert Piper died Thursday afternoon of Bright's disease after a short illness. The funeral was held Sunday and the interment was at the cemetery at the village.

Mrs. Della Hartson visited her sister Christmas day.

Mrs. Frank Eastman and Miss Lena Lewis are sick.

Miss Betula Goodrich returned home from the hospital Thursday.

Miss Maud Lewis spent the weekend with Miss Bessie Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Patterson of Cambridge have been visiting at B. M. Willey's, Mrs. Willey being a sister of Mr. Patterson.

We had the worst storm of the season Sunday, snowing hard and a high wind all day.

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## Lyndonville

**E. A. Darling Gave Lunch In Honor of Miss Flavia Folsom—Personal and Social Notes.**

(Mrs. E. J. Blodgett, Correspondent.)  
Elmer A. Darling gave a very delightful lunch at Burklyn Hall last Wednesday as a compliment to his young cousin, Miss Flavia Folsom, who is at home for the holidays from her school, "The Castle," at Tarrytown, N. Y. The guests were taken to the Hall in his two large cars and received by Miss Louise Darling, and Mr. Darling. They were Mrs. Thea Powers Watson, Misses Bess Hutchinson, Maude Wetherbee, Frances Cree, Pearl Wilmet, Flavia Folsom, Carolyn Darling, Vite Darling, Ruth Blodgett, Elizabeth Titcomb. Dainty candy baskets, holly-trimmed, were used as favors, with place cards painted in a holly design. After a delicious lunch, moving pictures and an abundance of the best music entertained the young ladies most delightfully and added another to the charming traditions of Burklyn hall.

Arthur Cleary, who has been an efficient clerk in the department store for some time, has finished his work there and gone to Worcester, Mass., where he has a good mercantile position.

Miss Ethelynd Chase is spending her Christmas vacation with her aunt, Mrs. B. G. Morrison. Mrs. Morrison's daughter, Irving Hutchinson, wife and daughter from Standstead, P. Q., were also Christmas visitors at the Morrisons.

Mrs. Fannie Giffin went to Sheffield to spend the Christmas holidays, at her daughter, Mrs. Jones' Misses Velma and Doris Jones were also at home for the holiday vacation.

A recent visitor in town from Peacham were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Powers, Doris and Harvey Powers, and James Craig.

The basket ball team went to Landonia, N. H., Christmas day and sustained quite a defeat, handicapped by want of a suitable place in which to practice.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ladd spent several days of last week with her relatives at Island Pond.

Carl Phillips and family have moved from the Hunter house on Main street into the Jenness house on that street, now owned by the Creamery association.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hale had a Christmas guests his brother, Bernard Hale, and sister, Mrs. Harley Cowles, husband and little daughter. Mr. Cowles is to clerk in the Silsby store this winter.

Leonard Ball is improving from a serious attack of blood poisoning in his foot.

A son was born Dec. 12 to Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn G. Campbell at Fairhaven, Mass., making four boys and one girl now in the family.

The little apiary on the road just below Lyndon was burned recently while the owner, Mr. Roddy, sat in his inspector, was smoking bees. Sparks fell into shavings and rubbish on the floor and he was unable to extinguish the flames. The building was insured.

Miss Orpha Farmer is at home from Hartford, Conn., for the holiday vacation.

Mrs. R. C. Davis of Danville is in town caring for her daughter, Mrs. Milo Woods, who is ill with a fever.

Elisha Bigelow received a telegram last week announcing the death of his cousin, Samuel Buell, in Strafford. Mr. Buell will be remembered here, where he has formerly visited his mother, the late Mrs. Charles Rogers.

There was some racing on the speedway Christmas day, but the rain storm prevented a very successful gathering. Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wood have been spending a week in Boston.

Mrs. L. J. Hackett was called to Newport last week by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Chaffee, who is better. Mr. Hackett joined her for Christmas day.

Plans are being made for an old-fashioned singing school and community chorus this winter. H. C. Wilson has kindly volunteered to be the leader in this plan.

Mrs. Howard Sherrer and children went to Richmond to spend the holidays with her parents. Mrs. George Sherrer is in Lowell, Mass., where she was called to take care of a sister, Mrs. Mary Brown, who is critically ill.

E. A. Vancour of Morrisville has bought the steam laundry of Henry L. Borden, and will put in as manager, H. L. Planders, who has been connected with it for some time. Mrs. Borden, who started the laundry and has worked up a successful business is undecided as to his future plans.

Guy Wyman has moved into John Cable's house on Charles street. Lewis and Marion Leach are spending their Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Russell in Kirby.

Dorothy Smith has had an attack of chicken-pox, of which there are several cases around town.

Mrs. L. H. Curtice has been spending a few days with her parents in Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Griswold visited his mother at East St. Johnsbury last week.

Last week Monday evening the young people of the Methodist church planned and carried out a kitchen shower for Miss Florence Downer, which was a complete surprise to her, and a very pleasant social event. Miss Downer was quietly married on Christmas day to John McNamara, who works in the Shorey grain store, and the happy couple will make their home in a tenement in the Frank Dresser house at the Center.

Warner M. Willey has sold his farm in Wheelock and moved to Lyndon Center. He will work in his father, George Willey's harness shop here.

Miss Elsie Calkins, a student at Lyndon Institute, was called home from school by the death of her mother, at East Charleston. She has the sympathy of her schoolmates in this sorrow.

Mrs. Clara Gage is spending Christmas with her son and family. Roy Gage, at Georgetown, Mass.

Miss Hazel Freer of Newbury is working in the MacDonald and Havers millinery parlors.

Mrs. Daisy (Barber) Temple of Williamsville is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Barber. She came here direct from the State Grange meeting at Burlington, her husband being master of the Williamsville Grange.

Morton Lyster of Andover, Mass., was a visitor in town last week. George Giffin was in town from Waterbury, Conn., to spend Christmas and the first part of the week with his wife and daughter here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lincoln were in